



## Fishlake National Forest

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<http://inciweb.org/incident/2036/>

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Interagency Incident  
Management Team

**Mike Whalen,**  
Incident  
Commander



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**Saturday, September 25, 2010 - 8:00 a.m.**

**- FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE -**

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|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|---|
| Start date:<br>7/20/10<br>11:20 | Cause:<br>Lightning              | Estimated Size:<br>38,712 acres  | % Contained:<br>20                  | # Of Firefighters:<br>588   |
| Injuries to date<br><br>19      | Estimated<br>Containment:<br>TBD | Closures:<br>Campgrounds, roads and trails<br>closures around the fire area are<br>implemented | # of 20-person<br>hand crews:<br>14 | # Of helicopters:<br>4 - Heavy-lift<br>0- Medium-lift<br>1 - Light-lift<br>Total Helicopters: 5 |

## Twitchell Canyon Fire Update

**Elsinore, UT** – The Twitchell Canyon Fire displayed moderate fire behavior and minimal growth over the last 24 hours in spite of above average temperatures and low relative humidity.

Today firefighters will focus on building fireline on the north section of the fire, stopping the fire's advance toward Interstate 70 and powerlines in the area. This is possible because fire behavior has moderated and the fire is in terrain conducive to creating direct fireline. Firefighters will also be constructing indirect fireline on the southwest corner of the fire to inhibit fire spread to the private property to the south and west of the fire. Ground resources will be assisted by four Type-1 heavy lift helicopters that will be dropping water on hot spots.

Firefighters are monitoring the south end of the fire where the fire is accomplishing the objectives of reducing fuel loads, regenerating aspen stands, and improving wildlife habitat. Firefighters are also scouting contingency control lines should fire behavior and growth change and objectives cease to be met.

The weather forecast calls for continued above normal temperatures and low relative humidity with little chance of precipitation for the next several days.

*One eastbound lane of Interstate 70 remains closed in the fire area. Castle Rock Campground remains under evacuation. The following roads remain closed to provide for public and firefighter safety:*

- Forest Road 119 Indian Creek Road at Pole Creek Junction (Forest Road 589).
- Forest Road 114 Shingle Creek Road intersection with the Paiute Trail Mud Flat Road (Forest Road 583).
- Forest Road 113 Mill Creek Road (Kimberly) at Mud Springs (junction of Forest Road 116 Sevier Canyon Road).
- Forest Road 591 North Fork North Creek at the intersection with Tanner Hollow Road (Forest Road 654).
- Forest Road 589 Drag Hollow Road where it intersects with Hell Canyon Road (Forest Road 520).
- Forest Road 123 at the Poison Creek gate (just north of Big John's Flat).
- Forest Road 113 Beaver Creek Road at the Forest Boundary west of Marysville.
- Forest Road 475 Max Reid/Dry Creek Road at the Fremont Indian State Park.
- Forest Road 476 Dry Wash from Old Hwy 4 – Clear Creek Road.
- Forest Road 474 Deer Creek Road from the eastern boundary at the Hwy 89 rest area.

For more information, maps, and pictures on this and other fires, please visit [www.utahfireinfo.gov](http://www.utahfireinfo.gov) or [www.inciweb.org](http://www.inciweb.org).